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Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. 1547520/69700 Attorney Docket No. UTILITY 7 First Inventor PATENT APPLICATION Sinuous Composite Connector Systemo Title ARIORAITTAI Express Mail Label No. EL960459473US (Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b)) Commissioner for Patents **Mail Stop Patent Application** APPLICATION ELEMENTS ADDRESS TO: P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents. CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17) Computer Program (Appendix) (Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing) Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission Applicant claims small entity status. (if applicable, all necessary) ✓ See 37 CFR 1.27. Computer Readable Form (CRF) a. 13 (Total Pages ✓ Specification Specification Sequence Listing on: b. (preferred arrangement set forth below)
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Background of the Invention

Brief Summary of the Invention Statements verifying identity of above copies C. ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed) Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s)) - Detailed Description 9. - Claim(s) Power of Attorney 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement - Abstract of the Disclosure 10. (when there is an assignee) English Translation Document (if applicable) 5 11. Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) |Total Sheets Copies of IDS Citations Information Disclosure 12. Total Sheets Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 5. Oath or Declaration **Preliminary Amendment** 13. Newly executed (original or copy) a. Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d)) (for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed) (Should be specifically itemized) 14. Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)** 15 (if foreign priority is claimed) Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 name in the prior application, see 37 CFR (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent. 16. 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b). Other: Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76 17 18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in the first sentence of the specification following the title, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76: of prior application No.: Continuation-in-part (CIP) Divisional Art Unit: For CONTINUATION or DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts. ADDRESS

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